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## *CITIZENS BEFORE THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE.*

The enlarged powers conferred upon the township committees by the Legislature the last few years bring them much more frequently and intimately in contact with individual citizens than was the case in those times when their duties were comparatively few and unimportant. Fifteen or twenty years ago, when township committees had but little to do with roads, and nothing whatever to do with sidewalks, crosswalks, gaslamps, water-mains, fire companies, cesspools, sinks, nuisances of all kinds; when they had no power to pass ordinances, and when the people were scarcely aware of their existence, save at the spring election and the time of making their report at the town meeting, the individual citizen scarcely either knew or cared when they met or what they did.

But with yearly increasing powers and duties, the meetings of the Township Committee have become of the greatest interest to the people; and individual citizens have frequent need to appear before it with reference to matters of vital interest to their peace and prosperity.

These things being so, would it not be well for the Township Committee to designate some particular time when it will be regularly in order for citizens to present their business? As it is now, any one having any matter to bring to the attention of the Committee at one of its meetings dislikes to interrupt its regular order; on the other hand, he just as much dislikes to wait one or two hours for an opportunity to dispatch a piece of business which may require scarcely five minutes when reached. It must too be disturbing to the members of the Committee to have the course of its regular order of business broken in upon by irrelevant outside matters. The waiting petitioner, with ever accumulating impatience, is not apt to select the most propitious season for presenting his request, and though the members of the Committee are too polite to make any reference to a more convenient season and accord him the desired opportunity of addressing the meeting, there is, notwithstanding, an air of enforced resignation to be detected upon their expressive countenances sometimes which shows plainly that the machinery of public business is not working to their satisfaction.

The "individual" business brought before the Committee is as important as any, and would be the most interesting on account of its variety, were it not an interruption. It need not be, and therefore ought not to be, an interruption. Why could it not be understood that immediately after the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting citizens would be given an opportunity of addressing the Committee? The Chairman of the Committee, at this time, could inquire if any citizen present had any matters to present to the Committee. Afterwards the regular order could be proceeded with and every one be satisfied.

We recommend this subject to the consideration of the Committee, knowing that it concerns the comfort of a great many people.

### Watsessing Notes.

Mrs. Albert D. Benton is at Asbury Park.

The hat-forming mill at Watsessing is running night and day.

The annual picnic of St. Paul's P. E. Church Sunday-school will be held at Verona Lake next Wednesday.

George A. Wilde spent Wednesday at Asbury Park with Mr. Pilch. He reports Mr. Pilch as getting along very nicely.

The Social Guild of the Watsessing M. E. Church met at the residence of Moses Tichenor, Watsessing Avenue, on Monday night.

Francis Law, agent for the Rayner property on Watsessing Avenue, sold eight lots on Ella Street to William Bowker, sr. This sale closes out the tract.

The suit of Bennet vs. Kipp, tried in a Newark district court on Tuesday, resulted in a verdict of $10 and costs in favor of Bennet. The action at law grew out of a dispute over possession of a barn that Kipp leased to Bennet.

To-day the Montclair Junior team will play the Elizabeth Field Club team on the Valley Road grounds, Montclair, and an excellent game may be expected as the teams are very evenly matched. The Montclair boys have won two games from the Elizabeth Club, but it took ten innings to win the first and eleven innings to win the second.

For Hammocks, ropes and spreaders, croquet sets, go to S. Peloubet's.—*Advt.*

Special sale of Russet Shoes at Shoenthal's.—*Advt.*

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

### Y. M. C. A. Lecture Course.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE CITIZEN:

SIR: The suggestion of your last week's correspondent, "Justice," that some entertainment should be devised to take the place of the lecture of President Gates, indefinitely postponed, is based upon an entire misapprehension. There has been no abandonment or "indefinite postponement" of President Gates's lecture, but by arrangement with him, it was deferred to a more convenient date in November next. It will then be given in the largest available audience room in Bloomfield, the reason for the postponement being the expectation of attracting a much larger number than attended the other lectures of last season in the Glen Ridge Church.

All holding tickets for this portion of last season's Y. M. C. A. course will be entitled to seats at President Gates's lecture when given, and due announcement will be made of the time for securing seats by exchange of tickets as usual.

Any who prefer may have the money refunded for this unused portion of the course ticket, on application to either of the undersigned:

RICHARD STOUT,
F. B. STONE,
HENRY F. CLARK,
Y. M. C. A. Lecture Committee.

### "A Breadwinner's Fool Ideas."

TO THE EDITOR OF THE CITIZEN:

SIR: Mr. Lincoln once said "You can fool all of the people some of the time, and you can fool some of the people all of the time, but you cannot fool all of the people all of the time." George Eliot claims "There is no fool like an old fool." Another writer has said that you will not be far wrong in presuming "that three out of every five you meet are fools." While not agreeing entirely with the above, I am fully satisfied that a very large percentage of the breadwinners of our land are fooled into the belief that taxation is protection, and that honestly believing this, they go to the polls year after year and vote against themselves, their wives and their children. Now, Mr. Editor, I may be the most colossal fool of all of the above described fools, but I claim to be an *honest* one, and I propose in what is to follow to ventilate some of my honest fool ideas. I have a fool idea that there is nothing on this broad earth called wealth that is not the direct product of labor. I have another fool idea that labor pays all taxes of every kind, either directly or indirectly. I have another fool idea that there is no such thing as protection for labor, but an absolute free-trade in human brain, bone and muscle, our ports for this commodity being open to the whole world, outside of China. I have another fool idea that the sixty-five millions of men, women, and children in this fair land of ours are being taxed to enrich a few manufacturing capitalists. I have another fool idea that these capitalists and those who legislate in their interests once inaugurated a President who was defeated by the people of our land. I have another fool idea that they will pass a "force bill" if given the chance and put "a bayonet behind every ballot," as they threatened to do, or enact any other infamous measure that will insure the continuance of the robbery of the many for the enrichment of themselves. Fool breadwinners! Think! BREADWINNER.

BLOOMFIELD, July 21.

### Base-ball Notes.

A great big pitcher unnerved the Watsessing Stars when they met the Actives of Newark last Saturday afternoon, and resulted in an easy victory for the Actives by a score of 9 to 2.

The Montclair team was badly defeated on Saturday last at Manhattan Field, New York, by the Manhattan Athletic Club. Their defeat was mostly due to the poor pitching of Comiskey and bad playing on the part of Snyder and Leonard. The decisions of the Manhattan umpire were "rank," and will probably long be remembered by the Montclair people, as anything so unjust has seldom been seen on a ball field. The score at the end of the 8th inning was 9 to 7, but in the ninth inning the Manhattans made ten runs, which gave them the game by the score of 19 to 7.

The Montclair junior team fared better than the senior team on Saturday afternoon. They had as their opponents the Englewood Field Club Reserves, and again defeated them for the second time within two week. The Junior boys put up an excellent game, and we think they would give the senior team a close rub if they could but arrange a game with them. Following is the score by innings of Saturday's game:

| | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| M. A. C. Juniors | 0 | 4 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 5 | x | —15 |
| E. F. C. Reserves | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | — 4 |

On Wednesday afternoon the Montclair Senior team was again defeated by the Staten Island Athletic Club at Staten Island. Although the Montclairs played a good game, with the exception of Snyder, they were clearly outplayed by the Staten Island team. Small of the Montclair team played an exceptionally fine game. Following is the score by innings.

| | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| S. I. A. C. | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 0 | x | —7 |
| Montclair A. C. | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | —0 |

The Bloomfield nine suffered a defeat in the hands of the Corinthian Athletic Club Juniors at the Glen Ridge grounds on Saturday last. As will be seen by the subjoined score the home team clearly outplayed the visitors, both at the bat and in the field. The cause of the defeat, however, was the kicking of some of the players, which completely rattled the rest of the team. Following is the official score:

BLOOMFIELD B. B. CLUB.

| | A. B. | R. | B. H. | P. O. | A. | E. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Perry, 1b | 5 | 1 | 1 | 6 | 3 | 0 |
| Lewis, c f | 5 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| Hartman, s s | 5 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 2 |
| Decker, c | 5 | 2 | 1 | 7 | 0 | 1 |
| Vought, p | 4 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 0 |
| Robotham, l f | 4 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 3 | 1 |
| Stocko, 2 b | 4 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Martin, 3 b | 4 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Barnes, r f | 4 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| Totals | 40 | 7 | 7 | 27 | 12 | 6 |

CORINTHIAN A. C.

| | A. B. | R. | B. H. | P. O. | A. | E. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Casey, l f | 5 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Gray, 3b | 5 | 2 | 1 | 4 | 2 | 1 |
| Blomberg, s s | 5 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| McGorney, c | 5 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 0 |
| Mack, 2b | 4 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 2 |
| Phelan, 1b | 4 | 2 | 0 | 13 | 1 | 2 |
| Rodeu, p | 4 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 8 | 1 |
| Mehot, c f | 4 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 1 |
| Murphy, i f | 3 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| Totals | 39 | 10 | 4 | 27 | 17 | 9 |

SCORE BY INNINGS.

| | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Bloomfield B. B. Club | 1 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | —7 |
| Corinthian A. C. | 0 | 1 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | —10 |

Earned runs, Bloomfield 2, Corinthian A. C. 2; two-base hits, Bloomfield 1; stolen bases, Bloomfield 3, Corinthian A. C. 4; bases on called balls, off Vought 5, off Rodin 4; struck out by Vought 8, by Rodin 2; time of game 2.05; Umpire, Van Winkle.

## AT THE CHURCHES.

### First Presbyterian.

The Rev. H. W. Ballantine, D. D., pastor. The Rev. Charles D. Brower will preach to-morrow morning at 10.30 o'clock. A twilight service will be held at 6 o'clock. No evening service.

### Westminster Presbyterian.

The Rev. Geo. A. Paull, pastor. Services at 10.30 A. M. and 7.45 P. M. Before the evening service, 15 minutes of sacred music on the organ, by Mr. Gravee, 7.30 to 7.45. Sunday-school at noon. Young People's prayer meeting at 7 o'clock. A cordial invitation to all.

### German Presbyterian.

Sunday services: Preaching by the pastor, the Rev. H.W. Seibert, at 10.30 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. Sunday-school at 9 A. M. Prayer meeting, Tuesday at 8 P. M. Young People's Society, Friday, at 8 P. M.

### Park Methodist Episcopal.

Services to-morrow at 10.30 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. Preaching by the pastor, the Rev. B. B. Collins. Sunday-school at noon. Epworth League prayer meeting at 6.45 P. M. Leader, Mr. Irving Meeker. All are welcome to these services.

### Watsessing Methodist Episcopal.

Preaching at 10.30 and 7.45 by the pastor, the Rev. Elbert Clement. Sunday-school at 2.30. Evening subject, "Jesus and the Swine of Gadara, According to Saint Matthew and Professor Huxley."

### First Baptist.

Services at 10.30 A. M. and 7.30 P. M., when the Rev. Jesse Gibson of St. Catherines, Ontario, Canada, will preach. Sunday-school at noon.

### Glen Ridge Congregational.

The Rev. F. J. Goodwin, pastor. Services at 10.30 A. M. and 7.45 P. M. The sessions of the Sunday-school will be suspended during the summer months. Young People's Society at 7.15 P. M.

### Christ Episcopal.

The Rev. Edwin A. White, rector. Celebration of the Holy Communion, 8 A. M. Morning Prayer, Litany, and Sermon, 10.30 A. M. Even song, 5 P. M. Friday evening prayer at 5 P. M.

### Brookdale Notes.

Brookdale farmers say that this year's potato crop is excellent.

Next week Abram Yearance will celebrate his sixty-fifth birthday.

A sister to Wilbur Brokaw, residing at Somerville, is paying him a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Philip Cockefair have moved into their new home on Park Street, Montclair.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cooper of New York are boarding with Charles E. Davidson for the summer.

Alex. Parsons received $450 insurance for the loss sustained by the burning of his barn a few weeks ago. He will immediately begin rebuilding.

Several residents of Watchung Avenue receive their water supply from the East Jersey Company. The Montclair main running through that street was tapped for their benefit.

Members of the Brookdale Lawn-Tennis Club are making preparations for a tennis party to be held next Tuesday afternoon on the grounds of Charles E. Davidson on Broad Street. Proceeds for the benefit of the club.

Sylvanus Cockefair now drives to market with a handsome new truck wagon and a brand-new set of harness. "Vane" received hearty congratulations yesterday, and his neighbors and many friends enjoyed the milk-punches which he provided.

The residents of Brookdale are immensely pleased with the good roads furnished them by the Township Committee. They now have continuous hard roads from Paterson to Newark. Their next move will be for gas, water, and the benefits of the Fire Department.

A Dutch Reformed minister from Orange occupied the pulpit of the Brookdale Reformed Church last Sunday. It is expected that a call will soon be issued to fill the vacancy made by the Rev. Mr. See's resignation. The pulpit is being filled by various divines in the meantime.

### Political Notes.

Adrian Dickerson, President of the Bloomfield Democratic Club, occupied an honored seat at the great Democratic demonstration in Madison Square Garden, New York, last Wednesday night.

Chairman John F. Dillon will shortly announce the names of the members of the First Ward Democratic Executive Committee, when a meeting will be called for organization. James Boyne, Chairman in the Second Ward, is also busy selecting a committee for that ward.

C. W. Powers has been elected a member of the Executive Committee of the Young Men's Republican Club. Mr. Powers possesses the requisite qualifications for political work, and his election to membership in the Executive Committee will give that body the benefit of his energy and activity and add to its efficiency. Mr. Powers is a loyal Republican.

Some unscrupulous person has been taking unwarranted liberties with the name of Fred. Mohrman of Fairview by circulating a report that he intended to vote the Democratic ticket. Mr. Mohrman wishes to emphatically deny this report through the columns of THE CITIZEN. Mr. Mohrman, who was a New Yorker, has been through too many contests with the Tammany "tiger" to suddenly surrender.

Members of the Young Men's Republican Club are circulating a subscription list for funds to procure a banner. All Republicans, whether they be members of the Young Men's Club or not, are requested to subscribe. This is doubtless right and proper. There are a large number of men of means in the Republican party in this town, and they are invariably honored with enrolment in the Campaign Committee, but the burden of campaign work falls on a few active spirits in the Young Men's Club. To offset this the honoraries should make a liberal contribution to the exchequer of the Club. There is no reason why Bloomfield should not have a very handsome Republican campaign banner, and it is a matter of regret that the club is compelled to resort to personal solicitation for the funds. There should be a spontaneous opening of fat Republican pocket-books.

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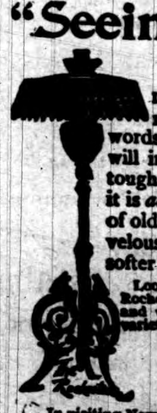

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